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A reporter from TV-3 on the Gulf war analyses the circumstances she lived through in Israel as a war correspondent and as a woman.

She believes that in Israel the news was exhaustive, thanks to the network established by the military command, and the efficiency of the press office in the Hilton hotels in Jerusalem and in Tel Aviv.

Israel, according to the journalist, was living in the middle of two frontiers, permanently open, one bounded by the frontiers with the Arab countries, and the other one bordering with the occupied territories. In this conflict, Israel took on its leading role as an attacked country, and through a sophisticated network including misinformation. The writer recalls how the best part of the war correspondents were women. TVE, TV-3, Telemadrid, TVG, RAI and CNN all had female correspondents. For all of them, the war was a showroom to display their professional value.